

BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY

REGISTRATION INFORMATION AND REQUIREMENTS REGARDING

RULE 19-PRO HAC VICE

RECAP of RULE 19:

A lawyer who is not licensed to practice law in Tennessee, but is licensed in another U.S. jurisdiction, **and** who resides outside of Tennessee, can appear via Motion for *Pro Hac Vice*.

What else can a lawyer appearing *pro hac vice* do? A lawyer who appears *pro hac vice* admission can also file pleadings, motions, briefs, and other papers and fully participate in a specific (designated) proceeding before a trial or appellate court of Tennessee, or in a contested case proceeding before a state department, commission, board, or agency if all requirements have been met. (TN Sup. Ct. Rule 19)

REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS (4):

- ▶ The attorney must be licensed.
- ▶ The attorney must be registered with the Board of Professional Responsibility per Rule 19.
- ▶ The attorney must file a copy of the motion and supporting papers with the Board of Professional Responsibility prior to filing with the court.
- ▶ The Attorney must pay to the Board a fee equal to the fee required of Tennessee lawyers, currently \$170.00 per calendar year.

IMPORTANT NOTES:

REGISTRATION FEES

The dues for registration with the Board of Professional Responsibility for an attorney appearing via *pro hac vice* admission are due at **or before** the time the motion for *pro hac vice* admission and supporting documents are filed with the court before which admission is sought.

PRO HAC VICE ADMISSION:

Pro hac vice admission is granted **only** by the trial and appellate courts and **not** by the Board of Professional Responsibility and admission is pending until granted by the court.

DENIAL OF PRO HAC VICE ADMISSION:

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A Court or agency (within its discretion), may deny a lawyer's motion for *pro hac vice*.

Reasons for denial would only include where an applicant's conduct as a lawyer raises reasonable doubt that the lawyer will comply with the Rules of Professional Conduct and other applicable rules; OR, where the applicant's frequency in *pro hac vice* admission appearances could constitute *regular practice* in the state of Tennessee.

REVOCATION OF PRO HAC VICE ADMISSION:

Admission that has been previously granted can be revoked by the Court or agency (in its discretion) granting the admission if the lawyer has ceased to satisfy the requirements of Rule 19.

CONTACT INFORMATION:

Please contact me regarding any questions about the registration of an attorney via *pro hac vice* admission.

THANK YOU...

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